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## **Request for Continued Examination**

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

## 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:

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a.	Pre	Previously submitted:		
		Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously submitted on		
	旦	Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on <a href="[Appeal Brief filed]">[Appeal Brief filed]</a> .		
		Other:		
b.	Enc	closed:		
		Amendment and Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111		
	므	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)		
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		Other:		

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2.	Additional	Items:

- □ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of [No. of Months Suspension 1.103(c)] months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three months; fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required.)
- $\square$  A petition for extension of time is enclosed.
- A return postcard is enclosed.
- □ Other: Change of Address Notice
- □ Applicant(s) assert entitlement to Small Entity Status.
- RCE Fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) without a claim of small entity status is: \$770.00.
- RCE Fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) by an entity claiming small entity status is: \$385.00.
- □ A check in the amount of \$ [Check Amount enclosed] is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge \$ \$770.00 to Deposit Account No. 06-1135 under Order No. 7567/73178.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 during its entire pendency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1135 under Order No. 7567/73178. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1135 under Order No. 7567/73178. This sheet is filed in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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